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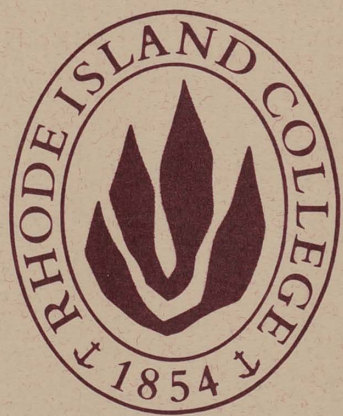
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CAP AND GOWN
CONVOCATION

SPRING 1988



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Wednesday, the fourth of May
Nineteen hundred and eighty-eight
12:30 p.m.
Dennis J. Roberts Auditorium
Rhode Island College

CAP AND GOWN CONVOCATION

Processional

Dramatic Fanfare . . . Morton Gould
Pomp and Circumstance, Op. 39, No. 1 . . . Edward Elgar

The National Anthem

Candace A. Jennings
Vocalist

Greetings

Carol J. Guardo
President of the College
Richard E. Farley
Class of 1988

Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges

Gary M. Penfield
Vice President for Student Affairs

Departmental Awards

Willard F. Enteman
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Assisted by Chairs of Presenting Departments

Cap and Gown Investiture

Carol J. Guardo

Address

Robert E. Viens
Associate Professor, Physical Sciences

Senior Class Gift

Lisa Ann Scotti
President, Class of 1988

Alma Mater

(audience will please stand)

Recessional

Old Comrades March . . . Carl Teike

Bearer of the Del Sesto Mace

Neil I. Gonsalves
Chair, Council of Rhode Island College

Musical Selections

Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble
Francis M. Marciniak, *Director*

Reception

Hosted by President Guardo
immediately following the Convocation
Southeast lawn, Roberts Hall

Student Marshals and Ushers

The Gold Key Society

CLASS OF 1988

Lisa Ann Scotti, *President*
Victoria J. Bruno, *Vice President*
Eric R. Jacobson, *Secretary*
Debra J. Hobday, *Treasurer*
Candace A. Jennings, *Social Committee Co-Chair*
Lisa A. MacGovern, *Social Committee Co-Chair*

1988 CAP AND GOWN DAY AWARDS

**Bertha Christina Andrews Emin Award
(Scholastic Excellence)**

Alumni
David J. Moscicki

**Bertha Christina Andrews Emin Award
(Outstanding Achievement)**

Alumni
Lisa Ann Scotti

John E. Hetherman Award

Athletics
Wayne T. Griffin

Helen M. Murphy Award

Athletics
Sharon L. Wishnevsky

James Houston Award in Anthropology/Geography

Anthropology/Geography
Linda A. Caduto

Studio Art Award

Art
Ann E. Gale

Theodore Lemeshka Award

Biology
Betty A. Rogers

W. Christina Carlson Award

Biology
Octavio A. Borges

Rhode Island College Theatre Award

Communications/Theatre
Susan E. Iacobellis

John Silva Memorial Scholastic Award

Economics/Management
Donna L. DiQuinzio

Wall Street Journal Award

Economics/Management
Donna L. DiQuinzio

Elementary Education Faculty Award

Elementary Education
Zovig Vichabian

Jean Garrigue Award

English
Janet L. Massa

Yetta Rauch Melcer Dance Award

Health/Physical Education
Debra A. Meunier

Claiborne deB. Pell Award

History
Matthew J. Kukulka

1988 CAP AND GOWN DAY AWARDS
(continued)

Epsilon Pi Tau, Beta Sigma Chapter Award

Industrial Education

Rene P. Horent

Kenneth L. McCarthy

Richard A. Howland Computer Science Award

Mathematics/Computer Science

Eric J. Emerson

Elizabeth M. Fagundes

Christopher R. Mitchell Award

Mathematics/Computer Science

Donna J. Henry

Nelson A. Guertin Memorial Award – French

Modern Languages

Laura J. Sunderland

Nelson A. Guertin Memorial Award – Spanish

Modern Languages

Yolanda Nieves

Tegu Polyglot Award

Modern Languages

Zovig Vichabian

Cantor Jacob Hohenemser Award

Music

Paula J. Roy

Nursing Faculty Award – Generic

Nursing

Donna Crawford

Nursing Faculty Award – R.N.

Nursing

Dianne E. Reilly

Philosophy Faculty Award

Philosophy

Paul Caldarella

American Institute of Chemists Award

Physical Sciences

Octavio A. Borges

Ronald J. Boruch Award

Physical Sciences

Suzanne E. Doucette

North Providence League of Women Voters Award

Political Science

Christina C. Charello

John H. Chafee Award

Political Science

Richard E. Farley

Psychology Faculty Senior Award

Psychology

Michelle A. Martineau

Lauris B. Whitman Award in Sociology

Sociology

Cynthia L. Williams

**Bachelor of Social Work Program Award
(Academic Excellence)**

Bachelor of Social Work Program

Patricia M. Inman

Deborah K. Lloyd

Josephine A. Stillings Award

Special Education

Lisa M. Hanrahan

Deborah J. O'Connor

BERTHA CHRISTINA ANDREWS EMIN AWARD

(Scholastic Excellence)

This endowed award was established in honor of Bertha Christina Andrews Emin, a 1912 graduate of Rhode Island State Normal School, who has devoted her life to contributing to the schools and community of Smithfield. The award is presented to a resident of Smithfield, R.I., who has the highest cumulative average at the end of the seventh semester and who is scheduled to graduate in May.

BERTHA CHRISTINA ANDREWS EMIN AWARD

(Outstanding Achievement)

A second award in honor of Mrs. Emin, it is given to a woman member of the May graduating class who has distinguished herself by attaining an honors baccalaureate and by active leadership in student affairs.

JOHN E. HETHERMAN AWARD

Department of Athletics, Intramurals, and Recreation

William M. Baird, Director

This endowed award was established as a memorial to the late John E. Hetherman, class of 1940, who was killed in action during World War II. The award is presented to a graduating senior man in recognition of his scholastic success and his achievements as an athlete, gentleman, and participant in campus activities.

HELEN M. MURPHY AWARD

Department of Athletics, Intramurals, and Recreation

William M. Baird, Director

This endowed award was established in honor of Helen M. Murphy, class of 1939, who was a distinguished faculty member at the Henry Barnard School. The award is given to a woman member of the May graduating class in recognition of her scholastic success, as well as her achievements as an athlete and a participant in campus and community activities.

JAMES HOUSTON AWARD IN ANTHROPOLOGY/GEOGRAPHY

Department of Anthropology and Geography

Terence E. Hays, Chair

This award is presented annually to a graduating senior majoring in either anthropology or geography who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and has had significant involvement in the department and the concerns of the discipline. It is made possible by contributions from the faculty of anthropology/geography and by a generous gift from Alice and James Houston, whose interests in researching, recording, and teaching about the cultures and habitats of native America have been a constant inspiration.

STUDIO ART AWARD

Department of Art

Betty E. Ohlin, Chair

This award for excellence in studio is made annually to a senior student. It is a competitive award for which eligible graduating seniors present their work to a faculty jury appointed by the Department of Art chair.

THEODORE LEMESHKA AWARD

Department of Biology

Kenneth P. Kinsey, Chair

As a faculty member Theodore Lemeshka won high esteem and admiration from faculty, staff, and especially students during his 20 years of service to Rhode Island College.

Ted came to the College in 1956 to teach biology and he initiated courses in microbiology in 1960.

The Theodore Lemeska Award is given annually in his memory to a graduating senior biology major. The recipient must have a minimum cumulative grade index of 3.0 for all courses taken at the College and must have a minimum cumulative index of 3.5 for the following Rhode Island College courses: Chemistry 103–104 (General Chemistry), Biology 331 (Human Anatomy), Biology 335 (Human Physiology), and Biology 348 (Microbiology).

W. CHRISTINA CARLSON AWARD

Department of Biology

Kenneth P. Kinsey, Chair

The W. Christina Carlson Fund was established by friends and colleagues in memory of Chris Carlson, who taught biology at Rhode Island College from before her graduation in 1925 until 1954 when she became the institution's registrar. Her principal interest was botany, but she was knowledgeable and taught successfully in all areas of the field.

The recipient of this award must be a biology major who has demonstrated exceptional potential for research in biological sciences.

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE THEATRE AWARD

Department of Communications and Theatre

Raymond L. Picozzi, Chair

The award is presented to a graduating senior chosen by the Theatre faculty as having displayed overall achievement in and contribution to the theatre program.

PETER JEFFREY ARCHAMBAULT MEMORIAL AWARD

Department of Communications and Theatre

Raymond L. Picozzi, Chair

This award is given in memory of Peter Jeffrey Archambault, who was at the time of his death a Rhode Island College student majoring in communications, but who had a keen interest in theatre.

The award is given annually to a graduating senior who has demonstrated scholarly achievement as well as creative ability in theatre. The recipient of this award shall also have displayed humanistic concerns.

JOHN SILVA MEMORIAL SCHOLASTIC AWARD

Department of Economics and Management

Joel M. Fuerst, Chair

In 1980 the Department of Economics and Management renamed its faculty scholastic achievement award in memory of John Silva, a bright and talented management student and athlete who tragically passed away shortly before his graduation with the class of 1980. The award is presented annually to the senior who achieves the highest weighted grade point average within the department. In appreciation of the overall contribution of John Silva to Rhode Island College, John's family and friends raised sufficient funds to establish an endowment within the Rhode Island College Foundation to honor his memory. The fund provides for this award and another to be presented to a sophomore who has attained an overall grade point average of 3.25 and has demonstrated leadership, dedication, and commitment to the College and community through service and participation in social, extracurricular, or professional organizations.

WALL STREET JOURNAL AWARD

(For Student Achievement)

Department of Economics and Management

Joel M. Fuerst, Chair

This award is provided annually to a nominee furnished by the Department of Economics and Management and is granted to a graduating senior through a faculty ballot, after a very thorough review of the overall scholastic achievements as well as service to the department, to the College, and the community. The award consists of a desk-top paperweight inscribed with the name of the recipient and a one-year complimentary subscription to the *Wall Street Journal*. The name of the recipient is also engraved on a brass plate placed within the Department of Economics and Management.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION FACULTY AWARD

Department of Elementary Education

Elizabeth H. Rowell, Chair

This award is given to a graduating senior who exemplifies enthusiasm for learning and dedication to teaching and who has demonstrated leadership. The recipient of the award shall also be articulate and should have a strong academic record over all courses attempted at the College.

The award is funded by members of the Department of Elementary Education and includes a gift in memory of Doris Hackett Lusardi.

JEAN GARRIGUE AWARD

Department of English

Robert E. Hogan, Chair

The Jean Garrigue Award is presented each year by the Department of English to a graduating senior who is also an English major and who has excelled in the area of creative writing. The award is named in honor of Jean Garrigue, the distinguished American poet, who was visiting professor of English at Rhode Island College in 1972, the year of her death. The award consists of \$100.

THE LEONELLI FAMILY MEMORIAL AWARD

Rhode Island College Foundation

Clinton H. Wynne, President

The Leonelli Family Memorial Award was established in December 1982, through an endowment fund within the Rhode Island College Foundation, by the members of the Leonelli family in memory of Filomeno, Lucia, and Ermanno Leonelli. Because of the Leonelli family's high interest in and love of Italian culture and language, the award will be presented to a student who has achieved academic excellence in the study of Italian.

YETTA RAUCH MELCER DANCE AWARD

Department of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance

Bennett J. Lombardo, Chair

This award is presented to a graduating senior who has contributed in an outstanding fashion to the Rhode Island College Dance Company while an undergraduate at the College. The award was established by Dr. Fannie Helen Melcer, professor emerita of health and physical education, in memory of her mother, Yetta Melcer, a first generation American who personified all parents who foster and sponsor their children's aspirations in the arts.

CLAIBORNE DEB. PELL AWARD

Department of History

Norman W. Smith, Chair

This award is made possible through the generosity of Senator Claiborne Pell and recognizes excellence in the study of United States history. The award consists of a gold medal and a certificate attesting to the high achievement of the recipient in United States history.

EVELYN WALSH PRIZE

Department of History

Norman W. Smith, Chair

The Evelyn Walsh Prize is given in memory of Evelyn Walsh, who was for many years a member of the Department of History. The prize consists of a certificate and a cash award in recognition of both academic excellence and, particularly, the contribution that the recipient has made to the life and work of the department.

EPSILON PI TAU, BETA SIGMA CHAPTER AWARD

Department of Industrial Education

Kenneth A. McVay, Chair

This award honors an outstanding student in the Department of Industrial Education (1) with a certificate, (2) by inscribing his/her name on a commemorative plaque in the department, and (3) by presenting the student with one share of stock in an industry that represents the student's technical area of interest.

THE CHRISTOPHER R. MITCHELL AWARD

Department of Mathematics and Computer Science

James T. Sedlock, Chair

This award is given each year to the outstanding mathematics major among the graduating class. It is funded by the department faculty and named in honor of Christopher R. Mitchell, who was an esteemed and revered mathematics faculty member known for his excellence in teaching.

RICHARD A. HOWLAND COMPUTER SCIENCE AWARD

Department of Mathematics and Computer Science

James T. Sedlock, Chair

This award of a significant book, subscription, or professional membership is presented to a graduating senior for outstanding performance in the field of computer science. It is named as a memorial to Richard A. Howland, an inspiring teacher and scholar of both mathematics and computer science.

NELSON A. GUERTIN MEMORIAL AWARDS

Department of Modern Languages

Héctor Medina, Chair

The Nelson A. Guertin Memorial Awards in French and Spanish were established by the Department of Modern Languages in 1978. Nelson A. Guertin, whose name these awards perpetuate, served Rhode Island College as a member of the Department of Modern Languages for 37 years, retiring in 1973. There are two awards, one for French and one for Spanish. The prize recipients have been selected by the faculty of the department on the basis of their academic work and their demonstrated interest in foreign language study.

TEGU POLYGLOT AWARD

Department of Modern Languages

Héctor Medina, Chair

The Tegu Polyglot Award honors and distinguishes a member of the senior class who has demonstrated outstanding interest and achievement in foreign language study with particular emphasis on oral proficiency. This award is the gift of Dr. Steven Tegu, professor emeritus of modern languages, whose life and work have been dedicated to the promotion of human understanding through the mastery of languages.

CANTOR JACOB HOHENEMSER AWARD

Department of Music

William M. Jones, Chair

Jacob Hohenemser came to Rhode Island as a refugee from Nazi Germany, graduated from Rhode Island College in 1948, and later served as cantor at Temple Emanu-El until his death. Through the generosity of Temple Emanu-El in Providence to the Rhode Island College Foundation, the Cantor Jacob Hohenemser Award was established in 1968 and is presented annually to an outstanding graduating student of music.

NURSING FACULTY AWARDS

Department of Nursing

Constance B. Pratt, Chair

The Nursing Faculty Awards are given to two graduating seniors: one generic student nurse and one registered-nurse student. The awards, given for excellence in nursing theory and practice, are made on the basis of scholarship, excellence in clinical practice, leadership within the Department of Nursing, and service to the College and community.

PHILOSOPHY FACULTY AWARD

Department of Philosophy

Thomas J. Howell, Chair

The Philosophy Faculty Award was established in 1977. Each year the award is presented to a student majoring in philosophy who, in the judgment of department faculty members, has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the pursuit of philosophical study.

RONALD J. BORUCH AWARD

Department of Physical Sciences

James G. Magyar, Chair

This award, given in memory of Ronald J. Boruch, is presented to the graduating senior with a major in chemistry, physical science, or general science who, in the judgment of the faculty, is the outstanding student in terms of scholarly achievement, leadership, and professional promise.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTS AWARD

Department of Physical Sciences

James G. Magyar, Chair

The recipient of this award given by the American Institute of Chemists, Inc., is a senior majoring in chemistry who has demonstrated scholastic achievement, leadership ability, and character.

NORTH PROVIDENCE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS AWARD

Department of Political Science

Victor L. Profughi, Chair

This award was made possible by the North Providence League of Women Voters. After 14 years of existence the organization voted to disband its membership. Efforts were made to identify a worthwhile project in which the remaining funds from the chapter's treasury could be invested. Based on the organization's concern for informed political participation, a prize to be awarded by the Department of Political Science of Rhode Island College presented an opportunity to continue the organization's support in this field and to keep its role and mission in the public awareness.

The purpose of the award is to recognize an outstanding senior who has majored in political science at Rhode Island College and is a North Providence resident.

He/she must have demonstrated academic excellence and should have a history of leadership in school, community, or state affairs.

JOHN H. CHAFEE AWARD

Department of Political Science

Victor L. Profughi, Chair

John H. Chafee, in addition to serving in a variety of capacities in public office in both state and national governments, was also an adjunct professor with the Department of Political Science in 1974. This award in his name is given annually to a senior political science major who has demonstrated extraordinary ability and involvement in the study of politics as evidenced by grade point average and participation in political affairs.

PSYCHOLOGY FACULTY SENIOR AWARD

Department of Psychology

Florence E. Hennen, Chair

Presented annually by the faculty of the Department of Psychology, this award recognizes a graduating senior psychology major who has distinguished himself/herself through outstanding academic achievement and accomplishments in related activities and services.

LAURIS B. WHITMAN AWARD IN SOCIOLOGY

Department of Sociology

Pamela Irving Jackson, Chair

The Lauris B. Whitman Award in Sociology was established in 1979. It honors the person who served as the first chair of the Department of Sociology from 1970 until 1976, the late Lauris B. Whitman. It was he who established the fundamental directions which still guide this department: democratic leadership; a concern for the development of a sound, creative curriculum; and commitment to student participation in departmental affairs.

This award—which honors excellence in academic work, especially sociology, and service to the department, College, and/or community—is awarded each year to a graduating senior.

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM—ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

Bachelor of Social Work Program

Scott Mueller, Director

This award is made to a graduating senior in the B.S.W. program with the highest composite grade point average and consists of the *Encyclopedia of Social Work*.

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM—SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD

Bachelor of Social Work Program

Scott Mueller, Director

This award is made to a graduating senior in the B.S.W. program who has demonstrated excellence in service to disadvantaged populations and to the social work profession and who has maintained a grade point average of 2.5 or better in the major.

JOSEPHINE A. STILLINGS AWARD

Department of Special Education

John F. DiMeo, Chair

In her more than 15 years of service to Rhode Island College, Josephine Stillings established a model for all teachers of an individual who possessed both the qualities of an excellent teacher and a warm human being. This award is presented to a graduating senior (January or May) who has demonstrated outstanding performance in special education student teaching and has a high cumulative index in special education course work.

WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Each year at commencement events across the country a special group of students is honored by its selection for membership in the prestigious *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*. Since 1934, *Who's Who* has annually bestowed this honor on outstanding students for their scholastic, extracurricular, and community achievements.

With the support of prominent educational institutions throughout the country, the program recognizes and calls attention to those college students who are the reservoir from which our nation draws its leadership.

Natercia C. Alves	Richard E. Farley	Luis M. Oliveira
Muriel Ray Bache	Malaina Gennari	Renee M. Perreault
Michael Scott Barnes	Robert J. Gerardi, Jr.	Christopher Shawn Perron
Michelle L. Bastien	Graziella Giampaoli	Scott J. Previty
Daniel H. Best	Lisa Ann Giannini	Cheryl Ann Richardson
Justine Mary Blackshaw	Russell J. Gusetti	Janet Rossi
Octavio A. Borges	Marsha Healey-Cohen	Luis F. San Lucas
David Francis Botelho	Thomas J. Higgins	Kathleen P. Santos
Lori J. Byrnes	Debra J. Hobday	Lisa Ann Scotti
Linda Ann Caduto	Eric Robert Jacobson	Linda Machell Sicuranza
Jacquelyn J. Cardillo	Laura Ann Jutras	Susan Kathan Smith
Donna Crawford	Beatrice Ann Lanzi	Stephen C. Stanzione
Alison Dawn Creswick	Cynthia Diane Lawson	Laura Jean Osanna Sunderland
Alyssa Beth DeAndrade	Robert Lepre	Sharon A. Tobias
Barbara J. Delemontex	James J. Lombardi III	Lisa M. Vargas
Donna L. DiQuinzio	Ira L. Lough	Helen A. Waterman
Joan M. Duncan	Dave Manney	Cynthia J. Whitham
Carol A. Dupont	Yolanda Nieves	Christine R. Willet
Geraldine Eliason	Mark Howard McVay	
Eric John Emerson	Dennis Owen Morrell	

ALMA MATER

4 measures of introduction

GRACE E. BIRD

GRACE E. BIRD
HELEN S. LEAVITT

MODERATO

Dear Al - ma Ma - ter wise and kind, To thy fair name shall

e'er be - long our grate - ful prais - es and our love, The trib - ute of our

song. — Thou guard - ian of the sa - cred shrine of truth that makes us

free. We cher - ish thy be - lov - ed fame and pledge our loy - al -

ty. Rhode Is - land Col - lege hail to thee! All hail to Al - ma

Ma - ter! En - shrined thou art with - in the heart of ev - 'ry son and daugh - ter.

